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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SUZUKI et al. Conf.: 3254

Appl. No.: 09/744,678 Group: 1616

Filed: April 10, 2001 Examiner: A. Pryor

For: FRESHNESS-KEEPING AGENT FOR PLANTS

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FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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July 23, 2004

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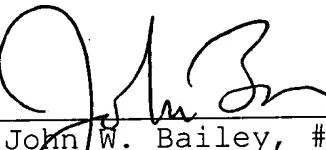
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In reply to the Office Action dated April 27, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.